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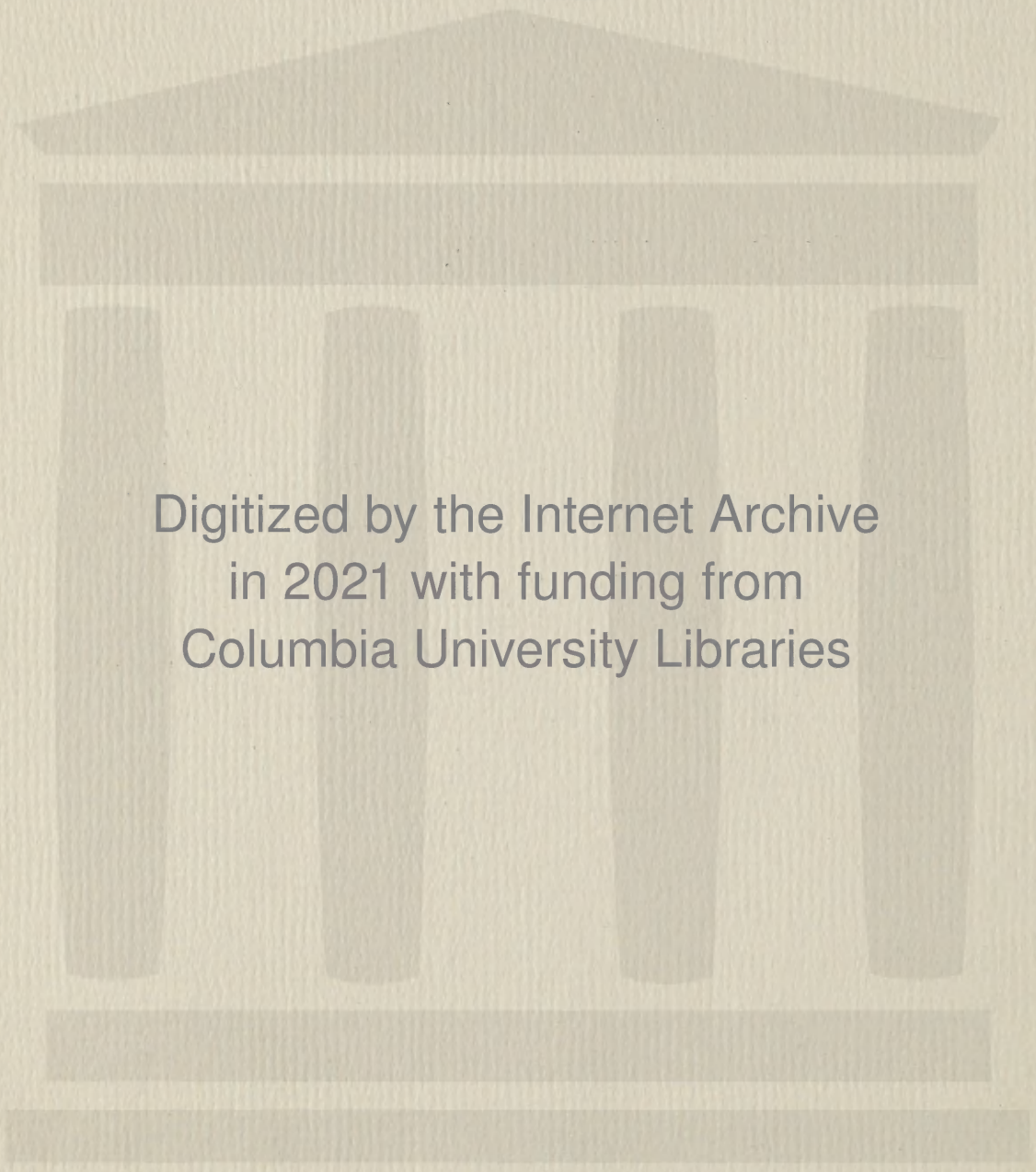
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Dear Reader:

Perhaps you are surprised to receive so much larger a package in the mail this time than you normally receive when the NATIONAL LUTHERAN arrives at your home or at your office.

This issue introduces our enlarged format, with a "bonus" in content, we believe. Because of numerous inquiries which come to us concerning the structure and the functioning of the National Lutheran Council, we present this informative, pictorial number as a National Lutheran Council view book.

All regular subscribers are receiving this issue in its enlarged format at no additional cost. For copies not issued to regular subscribers or for "extra" copies, however, there is a charge of 25c per copy, an increase over the charge for such copies in our previous smaller format.

Because printing costs have risen and because the NATIONAL LUTHERAN is revising its format to be "bigger, better, and more effective," we have been compelled to increase our advertising and subscription rates. The new subscription rates appear on the accompanying table and are effective as of July 1, 1956 on all new and renewal subscriptions. The rates are still "below cost."

We of the National Lutheran Council staff firmly believe that the NATIONAL LUTHERAN serves an important function in communicating the work of churchmen here and abroad to our reading public. To an even greater extent in future issues we plan to spotlight the activities of Lutheran pastors and lay people of our eight participating church bodies wherever they may be.

We know you'll want to follow the evolving story of cooperative ventures of Lutherans the world over as presented in the forthcoming issues of the NATIONAL LUTHERAN.

Sincerely yours,

HAROLD E. HAMMOND
Editor-in-chief

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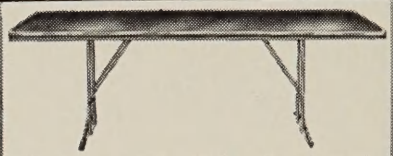

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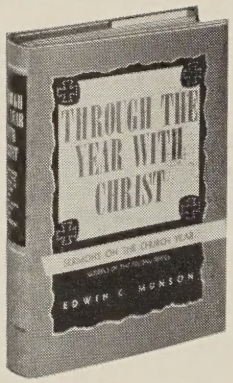

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Paul C. Empie

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NUMBERING more than 70 million souls, the Lutheran family is the largest group of evangelical Christians in the world.

In North America the Lutheran Church is the third largest among the evangelical or "Protestant" bodies. Organized now as sixteen separate Lutheran Church bodies, these North American churches, with nearly 7½ million baptized members in 1955, range in size from the United Lutheran Church (2,270,655 souls in 1955) to the tiny Eielsen Synod (1,625 souls in 1955).

Immigrants from Europe organized most of the early Lutheran synods in North America. Although a variety of languages is still used for public worship in scattered Lutheran congregations, the transition to an English-speaking and American-oriented church life is virtually complete.

Mergers have reduced the number of separate Lutheran bodies from the nearly three score which existed a century ago to the 16 which function in America today. Additional mergers are being contemplated so that the number of separate Lutheran churches will be reduced further.

While this process has been going on, a major concern of responsible Lutheran leaders has been to find a way, by whatever means consultation can devise and conscience will permit, to make the impact of Lutheran witness in North America commensurate with the combined strength of the churches.

It was to help this compelling need that the National Lutheran Council was organized in 1918. It is a joint agency established by those Lutheran church bodies which subscribe to its constitution and participate in financing and directing its work.

The nature and scope of this work has varied from decade to decade. At first attention was concentrated largely upon the overseas relief activities which followed World War I, and thereafter the chief functions centered about publicity, research and statistics. The Council provided a common meeting point for Lutheran leaders where they might discuss mutual interests and devise plans for common activities.

Responsibilities thrust upon the churches with the outbreak of World War II led to a marked upsurge in the development of the Council's work. Through the annual Lutheran World Action appeal tremendous sums of money were raised for the care of orphaned missions, refugees, a spiritual program to Lutherans in the Armed Forces, and for postwar reconstruction and relief.

With the organization of the Lutheran World Federation at Lund, Sweden in 1947, it became clear that international partnership had achieved permanent status for most Lutherans in the world. Shortly afterward the participating bodies of the Council acted to accept Lutheran World Action as a regular responsibility in the future.

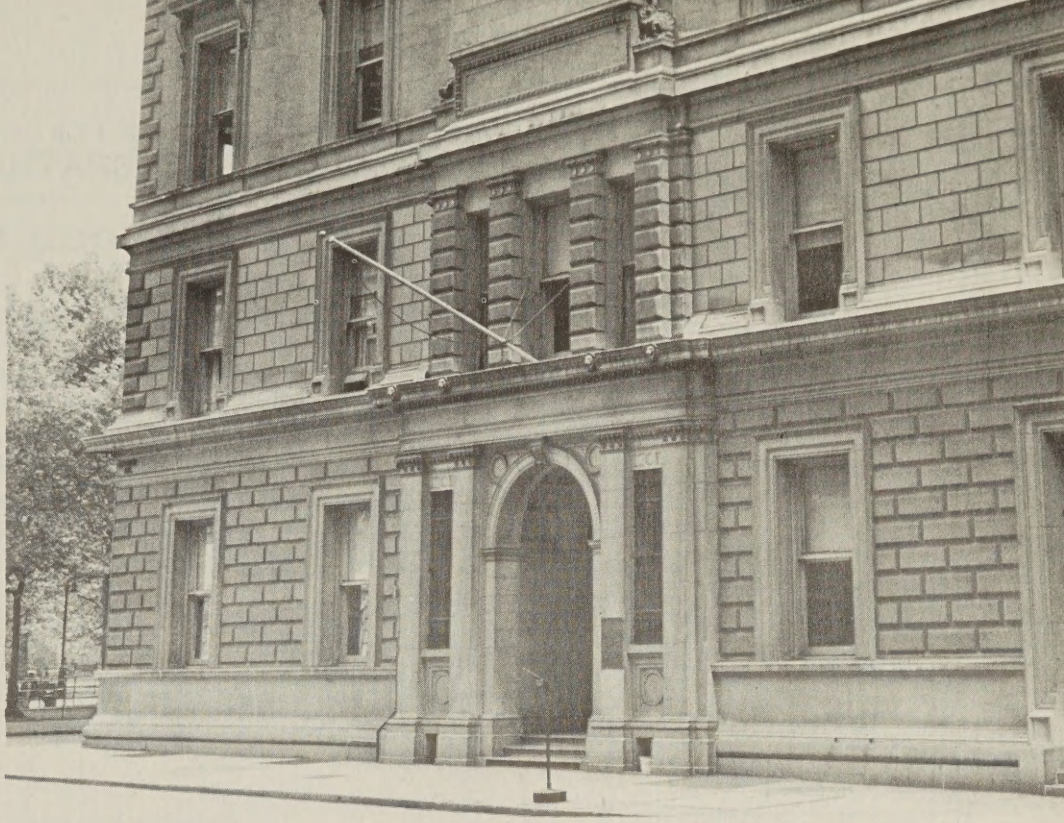
Fruitful experience in the cooperation for relief and inter-church aid had its effect upon the domestic work of the Council: it mushroomed phenomenally. The constitution as revised in 1945 provided for enough flexibility so that emergency or temporary work could be undertaken and so that joint work with bodies outside the Council could be inaugurated. Thus it was possible for the eight participating bodies, through the Council, to resettle 37,000 displaced persons immediately after World War II and later on, in

CLAIMING HIS LUGGAGE at a station in India, Dr. Empie, executive director of the National Lutheran Council, is on one of his many long journeys in the business of heading the Council.

cooperation with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, to resettle 15,000 refugees under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. A similar relationship was worked out with the Missouri Synod in the joint Lutheran Service Commission, which was established to serve Lutherans and others in the Armed Forces.

Since the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council were the only member churches of the Lutheran World Federation from the U. S. A., it was decided that the Council should serve as the USA National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation. At the same time provision was made whereby other Lutheran Churches in America, not members of the NLC, might cooperate effectively as members of the USA National Committee of the LWF. A Division of Lutheran World Federation Affairs was established in the Council to facilitate cooperation with the LWF.

EXECUTIVE STAFF members of the Council are these men. Seated, left to right: Dr. Stewart W. Herman, executive secretary of the Division of Lutheran World Federation Affairs; the Rev. Robert Busche, administrative assistant to Dr. Empie; Dr. Paul C. Empie, executive director of the Council, and Dr. Harold E. Hammond, executive secretary of the Division of Public Relations. Standing, left to right: Dr. H. Conrad Hoyer, executive secretary of the Division of American Missions; Dr. Henry J. Whiting, executive secretary of the Division of Welfare; Dr. Carl F. Yaeger, associate secretary of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel, with responsibility in the Lutheran Service Commission; Dr. Donald Heiges, executive secretary of the Division of College and University Work, and the Rev. Engebret O. Midboe, associate secretary of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel.

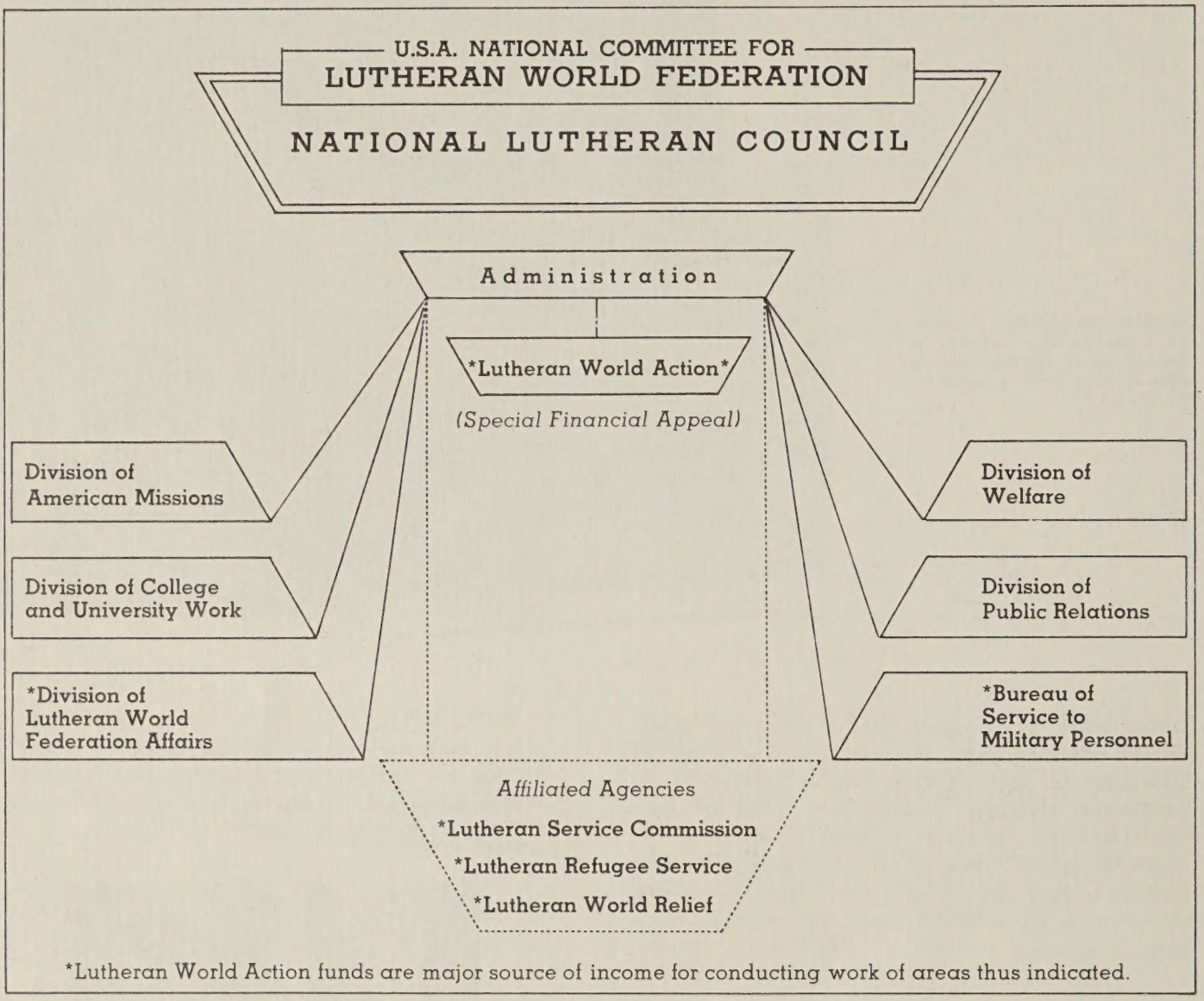


50 MADISON AVENUE, on Madison Square in New York City, is the address of this headquarters office building, which is owned by the Council.

Descriptions of the various tasks of the Council appear on the following pages. It is an impressive record of achievement in partnership. As long as Lutherans are as conscientious about their responsibilities as they are about their convictions, a means for practical cooperation in which distinctive principles are not compromised will continue to be a necessity during the interim years until, in the providence of God, Lutheran unity in this country is finally achieved.

IN WASHINGTON, D. C., the Council and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod hold joint ownership of this headquarters structure at 2633 16th Street N.W.

THIS ENTRANCE at 327 South LaSalle Street in Chicago leads to the Midwest office of the National Lutheran Council.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*Lutheran World Action funds are major source of income for conducting work of areas thus indicated.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Introducing

THE DIVISIONS

IN THE FRAMEWORK of the National Lutheran Council there are six major areas of service. Activities in five of them are conducted by administrative units styled "Divisions." They are:

The Division of American Missions
The Division of College and University Work
The Division of Welfare
The Division of Public Relations
The Division of Lutheran World Federation Affairs.

The sixth category of service is administered by the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel. A "Bureau" normally functions in a smaller scale than does a "Division"; however, this Bureau now operates virtually at a Division level.

As indicated on the diagram above, the various activities of the Division of Lutheran World Federation Affairs and of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel are financed primarily by Lutheran World Action funds. The other four branches of the Council's work are underwritten principally by contributions to the NLC budget from the eight church bodies participating in the Council.

The Division of

AMERICAN MISSIONS

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY for American missions rests with congregations and with their home mission boards. The Division cooperates with the boards to study needs, suggest programs and give assistance when requested to do so.

Alert to current developments in this field, the concerns of this Division include new churches, old churches, city churches, country churches, suburban communities, inner city communities, Negro communities, Jewish communities and communities of mixed races and cultures.

Specifically, the Division of American Missions:

Studies mission opportunities and responsibilities in changing America,

Arranges home mission conferences and institutes,

Supervises regional home mission committees established to study local needs and opportunities. (These committees also allocate new mission fields and counsel with respect to the relocation of churches to avoid overlapping and duplication),

Maintains staff consultants in the field of rural church planning, urban church planning and inter-cultural outreach,

Directs the department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish people,

Operates a ministry in temporary construction communities.

TYPICAL of the functioning of the work of this Division is this regional committee meeting to determine what should be done in this town in its relation to a temporary community nearby, which has emerged with a new mining development there.

IN THIS TRAILER MEETING a pastor conducts a Bible study with a group of the residents in a temporary community.

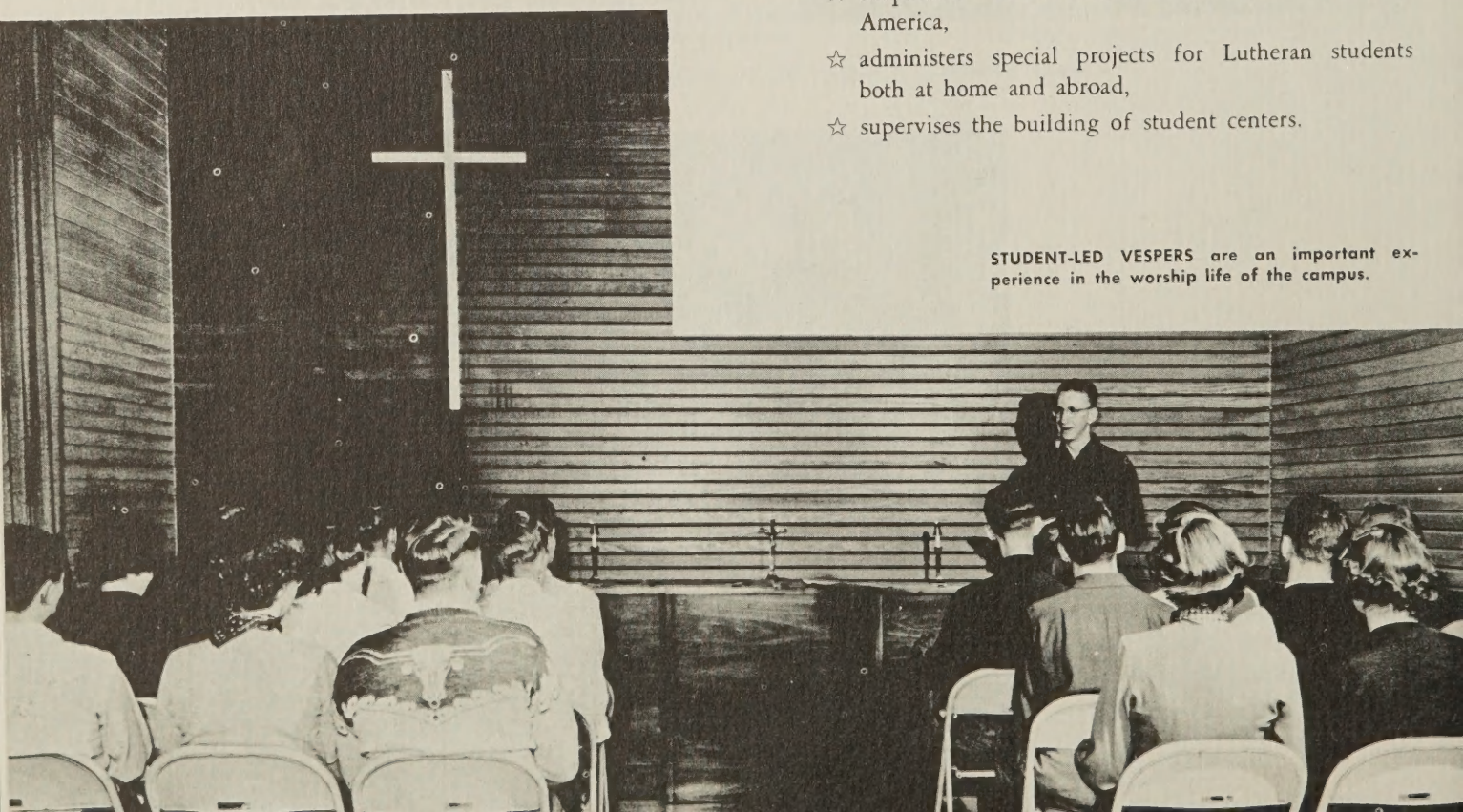
THIS PASTOR TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS COUNSELS WITH A LAD WHO HAS SOUGHT HIM OUT.

The Division of

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY WORK

DIRECTING A MINISTRY of word and sacrament, of pastoral care, of teaching, and of evangelism to students in non-Lutheran colleges and universities, this Division also

- ☆ provides a campus program for Lutheran students and Lutheran faculty members (worship, study, counseling, evangelism, service, recreation),
- ☆ publishes materials for use in this ministry and program,
- ☆ cooperates with the Lutheran Student Association of America,
- ☆ administers special projects for Lutheran students both at home and abroad,
- ☆ supervises the building of student centers.



STUDENT-LED VESPERS are an important experience in the worship life of the campus.

The Division of

WELFARE

COORDINATES inner mission, charitable and social welfare work in the participating church bodies,

Promotes new organizations of Lutheran welfare agencies and institutions, and coordinates existing agencies to promote a unified Lutheran welfare program,

Represents national Lutheran welfare work before general and governmental agencies,

Coordinates Lutheran efforts in meeting common needs in times of general disaster,

Assists in establishing and improving standards of Lutheran welfare work,

Recruits and promotes training of workers for service in welfare agencies,

Operates a placement service to assist Lutheran agencies to secure staff workers,

Maintains a consultation and survey service to assist Lutheran welfare organizations to improve their services and to readjust their programs to meet changing conditions,

Develops Lutheran service to special groups, such as seamen and the handicapped,

Organizes general conferences of Lutheran charities, coordinates groups now organized, and organizes new groups.

Develops plans for coordinating of service to be rendered by the churches and Lutheran welfare agencies for the reception, guidance, and counsel of immigrants and assists in such service.

Fatherly counsel for a child

Tender care for the aged . . .

THESE PRE-OCCUPIED youngsters are intent upon the pastime arranged for them at the children's home provided them by one of the agencies served by the Division of Welfare of the Council.

RECIPIENT of the signal honor to head the staff of the newsroom at the great World Council of Churches meeting in Evanston in 1954, the chief of the NLC News Bureau discusses coverage of an event with press personnel.

The Division of

PUBLIC RELATIONS

IN KEEPING THE PROGRAM of the NLC participating bodies before the public, the Division of Public Relations employs five channels: its News Bureau, Washington Office, Research and Statistics Department, Publications, and its most recent venture—a Department of Radio and Television.

Publicity workshops and seminars stemming out of these various departments of work are conducted by the Division throughout the country.

IMPRESSIVE among the services of the Division are those of the News Bureau, which keeps its finger on the pulse of Lutheran activities throughout the world and relays this news via hundreds of releases each year. Seven hundred editors and public relations people receive these regularly.

THE WASHINGTON SECRETARY serves as a liaison between the National Lutheran Council and the federal government, informing various government agencies of the program of the NLC and its participating bodies and arranging for personal contacts between church and government leaders. He issues memoranda to church officials and editors regarding government trends.

THE RESEARCH AND STATISTICS Department serves the Lutheran Church bodies, the NLC staff, and the general public in finding answers concerning historical and con-

WASHINGTON SECRETARY in his locale

AT A LIBRARY EXHIBIT of Biblical plants and flowers

temporary Lutheranism. It also gathers and compiles statistics of all Lutheran Church bodies.

THE RADIO AND TELEVISION department, supported by five of the eight church bodies participating in the Council, is available for consultative services on religious broadcasting and telecasting. It also creates and produces radio and television programs as funds are provided.

PUBLICATIONS edited in the Public Relations Division are the NATIONAL LUTHERAN, A MIGHTY FORTRESS (a monthly paper sent to 85,000 Lutheran servicemen throughout the world), and the LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION BULLETIN.

AT THE STUDIO, the NLC radio-television head runs through a script for future production.

CHECKING the "Van Dyke" for one of the NLC publications, the editor discusses the layout with a printing representative.

BUREAU OF SERVICE TO MILITARY PERSONNEL

AWARE OF THE SPIRITUAL needs of thousands of people in the armed forces of our country, the NLC participates in two closely allied programs. One of these is the Lutheran Service Commission, conducted jointly with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and described under "Affiliated and Recognized Agencies." The other is the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel, which

☆ Supervises the preparation or purchase of religious literature for distribution in the armed forces,

☆ Certifies ecclesiastical endorsement for all Lutheran chaplains from the NLC participating churches in the Regular and Reserve Forces of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the Civil Air Patrol and auxiliary chaplaincies,

☆ Keeps in contact with Lutheran chaplains in all parts of the world,

☆ Channels information to the churches concerning needs, standards and requirements for chaplains,

☆ Promotes pre-induction training and counseling and the congregational follow-up and rehabilitation programs.

☆ Studies the military program of the country.

VISITING CHAPLAINS on the scene of their work, the head of the BSMP offers counsel to them.

NEARLY A THOUSAND people took part in this solemn processional at the 1952 Assembly of the LWF in Hannover, Germany. The marchers moved slowly along narrow, winding streets from the city hall to Hannover's historic Marktkirche for a communion service.

AT THE HANNOVER Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation in 1952, photographers poise their cameras for a picture of Dr. Hanns Lilje, the current president of the LWF, as he speaks to the throng.

The Division of

LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION AFFAIRS

THE DIVISION OF LUTHERAN WORLD Federation Affairs brings into close coordination the four main areas in which the National Lutheran Council serves as the U.S. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, namely, theological cooperation, world missions, inter-church aid, and Latin American affairs. (There is a "National Committee" of the Lutheran World Federation in each country in which the LWF has member churches.)

The Lutheran World Federation itself was organized to enable its members (57 in 1957) to study and to work together. Created in 1947 by an assembly of representatives convened in Lund, Sweden, it succeeded the Lutheran World Convention, which had functioned since 1923.

This free association of churches had evolved out of the urgent need for cooperative action in the fields of relief, reconstruction, and refugee service following two devastating world wars. Less dramatic but equally important was a strong desire for theological study and discussion.

The second World Assembly at Hannover in 1952 consolidated and extended the areas of mutual work especially in world service and world missions.

Close cooperation with the LWF is achieved through the following departments:

PARTICIPANTS in one of the theological conferences sponsored by the Department of Theological Cooperation of the Council was this team of distinguished international theologians.

The Department of
THEOLOGICAL COOPERATION

FACETS of this work include the fostering of international exchanges of theological students and professors, maintaining contact with foreign Lutheran theological students in the United States and with such American students abroad, arranging theological conferences, and encouraging increased Lutheran participation in theological research.

The Department of
WORLD MISSIONS COOPERATION

INTERPRETING to the constituency of the National Lutheran Council the concerns of the Lutheran World Federation with respect to world mission opportunities, this department receives and studies reports and estimates of needs from the various Lutheran fields. On that basis it suggests allocation of the available funds to strengthen younger churches and war-orphaned missions.

With the authorization of the U.S.A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, it may supervise "orphaned" mission fields assigned by the LWF Department of World Missions to the National Lutheran Council.

SUPERVISING a practice-teaching session, a missionary teacher in Tanganyika plays her part in the world missions outreach of the Council.

AN ARAB DOCTOR checks a child in one of the refugee wards of Augusta Victoria Hospital in Jerusalem. Lutheran World Federation-World Service operates this hospital with financial aid from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

THROUGH A WORLD SERVICE grant, this former military commander of the National Chinese Army was rescued from the miserable life of a penniless refugee to a self-supporting maker of rattan chairs. He received a little hut, tools and materials through Lutheran World Service to make possible this new life.

AN INTERVIEWER from Lutheran World Service talks with members of a refugee family in Hong Kong regarding a loan which they have requested to start a small business and thus become self-supporting. The family lives in a shack underneath the sewer pipe near the city dump.

CONSTRUCTION scenes such as this one of the new Lutheran seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina, tell of the forward strides of Lutheran churches in Latin America.

IN ONE OF THE FASTEST growing cities of the world, Caracas, Venezuela, this glistening new church is the first unit of an extensive building complex to serve a Lutheran parish.

The Department of
LUTHERAN WORLD SERVICE

CHANNELING spiritual and material aid to groups in need throughout the world is the foremost concern of this department. Such services include relief, rehabilitation, community development, inter-church aid, assistance to refugees and to diaspora and minority groups and international exchange of church workers.

This department cooperates with and assists not only the LWF Department of World Service, but also has responsibility for aid channeled through Church World Service and the Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of the World Council of Churches. It also works closely with Lutheran World Relief.

The Department of
LUTHERAN COOPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA

THIS DEPARTMENT cooperates with the LWF in ministering to the thousands of resettled refugees and other Lutheran diaspora groups in the predominantly Roman Catholic countries of Latin America.

Other specific tasks are:

☆ Cooperating in the recruiting and training of Lutheran pastors for Latin America,

☆ Bringing Lutherans in Latin America into closer contact with European and North American churches especially by making arrangements for exchange visits,

☆ Stimulating the development of a Lutheran literature program and audio-visual aids for use in Latin America,

☆ Conducting mission work in Latin America in behalf of those participating church bodies which request such work and provide funds for its support.

THE SPECIAL ANNUAL FINANCIAL APPEAL . . .

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION is the fund raising effort which makes possible the overseas relief and inter-church aid program of the eight participating church bodies of the National Lutheran Council.

Through this fund the churches support the varied functions of the Lutheran World Federation and cooperate with other evangelical Christians in works of mercy and witness throughout the world.

Supplemented by resources from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, LWA finances a ministry to military personnel through the Lutheran Service Commission, a ministry to refugees through the Lutheran Refugee Service and a material aid program abroad through Lutheran World Relief.

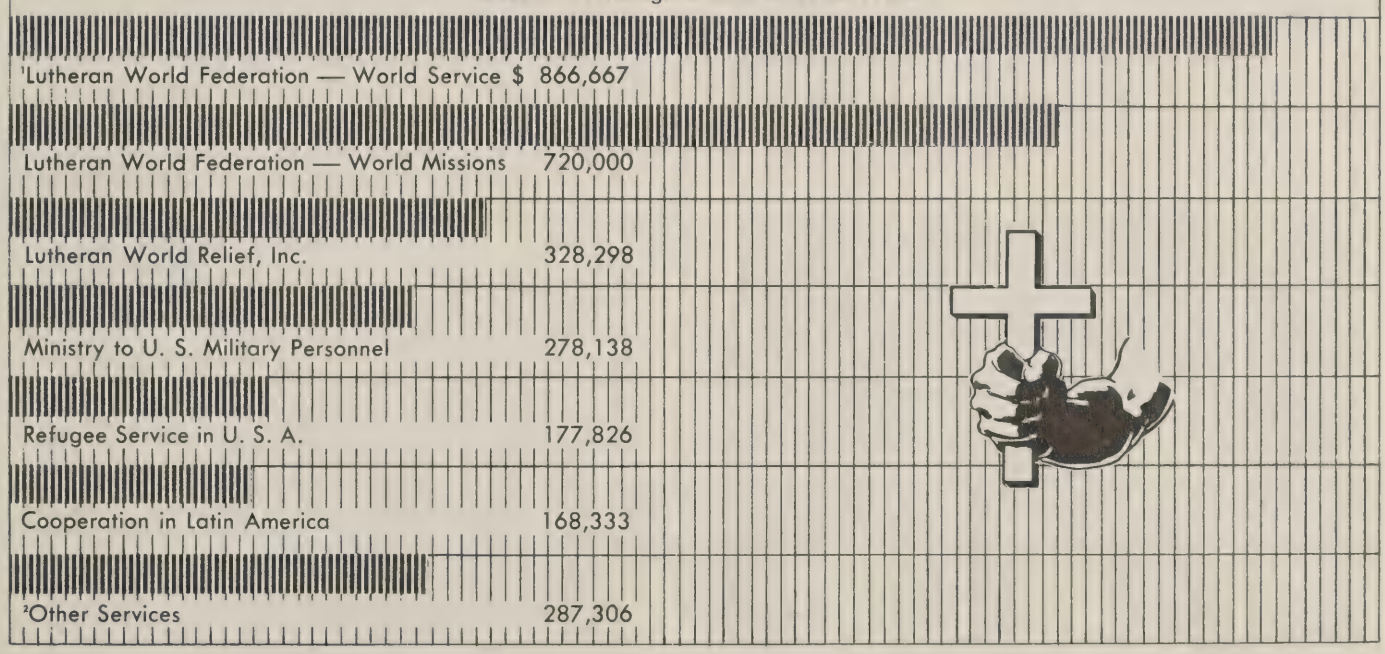
By the summer of 1956, the total of Lutheran World Action gifts in cash and Lutheran World Relief gifts in kind passed the $100,000,000 mark. This was a combination of $44,000,000 in LWA funds and $56,000,000 worth of food, clothing, medicine and other relief supplies, including government-donated surplus commodities.

"Love's Working Arm", as the LWA program is popularly known, has delivered help to people in more than 75 countries around the world. Through this special stewardship, Lutherans have gained a new conception of world Christian responsibility. The member-churches of the Lutheran World Federation have developed new patterns of partnership with each other and with the World Council of Churches. Through the written and spoken word, through exchange of pictures and personnel, through the fellowship of suffering, these churches have come to a greater appreciation of each other.

Inspired by the heroic faith of overseas brethren who go undaunted by persecution or poverty, those who "understand and share" take their places humbly beside those who "suffer and endure."

HOW LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION GIFTS ARE USED

(Based on Average Grants in 1953-1955)


[1]Lutheran World Federation — World Service $ 866,667
Lutheran World Federation — World Missions 720,000
Lutheran World Relief, Inc. 328,298
Ministry to U. S. Military Personnel 278,138
Refugee Service in U. S. A. 177,826
Cooperation in Latin America 168,333
[2]Other Services 287,306

FOOTNOTES

1. LWF-World Service—Inter-church aid and service to refugees, including material relief, church building, development of Christian education, leadership, institutions and literature.

2. Other Services—$49,671 for Ministry to Temporary Communities in the U.S.A.; $118,301 for Special LWF Projects; and $119,334 for Interdenominational Projects through the American Bible Society, the World's YMCA-YWCA, the World Council of Churches, and the Department of Church World Service of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.

SECURING SPEAKERS to present at major church gatherings the needs which call for LWA gifts, is a service of the LWA office within the limits of its resources and personnel.

HEADQUARTERS for promotion of the Lutheran World Action Appeal are located in the New York offices of the National Lutheran Council.

As requested by the participating church bodies, this office provides services in the preparation and distribution of printed materials and audio-visual aids and in arrangements for regional meetings and special speakers. It averages approximately ten million printed promotional aids annually. It maintains close cooperation with the Lutheran World Action Directors who promote the LWA Appeal within their respective church bodies.

THIS TABLEAU scene was a workshop feature which set forth dramatically the refugee resettlement program, supported by Lutheran World Action funds.

SOUND MOTION pictures, film strips and recordings are further projects of the LWA promotional office to aid congregations in interpreting the program carried on through LWA funds.

HAVING HURDLED many obstacles to reach their new homeland, this refugee mother and her son pass U.S. customs inspection.

THIS SHOEMAKER AND HIS FAMILY are a happy lot after having received an assurance and further clearance to set out for their new home in America.

AFFILIATED AND RECOGNIZED AGENCIES

OUTSIDE THE ACTUAL organizational bounds of the National Lutheran Council, further cooperative work is being pursued in three special areas.

Described below, the affiliated or recognized agencies carrying on these additional programs are: the Lutheran Refugee Service, the Lutheran Service Commission, and Lutheran Relief.

THE LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE

CREATED in 1954 by the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, the Lutheran Refugee Service has assisted in the immigration of refugees under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 as Amended. The five-person governing commission is appointed by the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council and the Board of Social Welfare of the Missouri Synod.

The goal of LRS was to assist a minimum of 15,000 refugees to enter the United States, and to help them, as necessary, to become integrated into the life of America. In fulfilling this task, the Refugee Service worked closely with the Department of World Service of the Lutheran World Federation.

When the emergency refugee program ends in 1957, it will be succeeded by a permanent Service to Immigrants under the Division of Welfare of the Council.

IN YOKOSUKA, Japan, this Lutheran Service Center says "Welcome!"

AT KEELUNG, Formosa, it is "open house" at the Service Center.

LUTHERAN SERVICE COMMISSION

MAKING AVAILABLE a spiritual ministry in a "home away from home" for the service man in his off-duty hours is the focal point of Lutheran Service Commission effort.

The work of this Commission is also a cooperative project of the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, with offices in Washington, D. C.

Providing and staffing Service Centers for military personnel in scattered places throughout the world has given thousands of service people a wholesome setting in which to spend their leisure and to seek Christian counsel as they desire.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

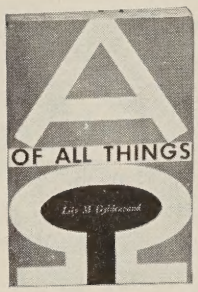
AN INCORPORATED AGENCY, Lutheran World Relief has been recognized by the National Lutheran Council as its operating arm in the area of overseas material relief. Its distribution of food, clothing, medical supplies and other commodities is made without regard to race, color or creed.

The Board of World Relief of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod cooperates with Lutheran World Relief in sending clothing and other gifts to LWR warehouses and in shipping materials overseas. LWR works closely with LWF—World Service and LWF staff members often provide representation and leadership in the field.

GETTING FITTED for clothing from a LWR distribution center is an experience eliciting gratitude.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY packages of dried milk and butter are gifts of LWR to needy refugees.

Books from Augsburg



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Christian essays by Lily M. Gyldenvand

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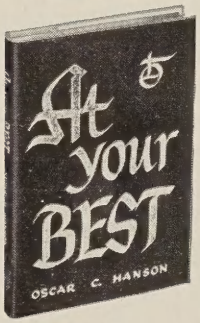

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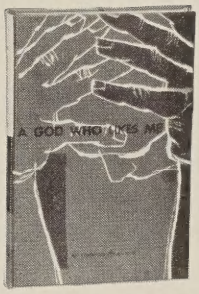

A God Who Likes Me

A study of Martin Luther by Theodore Huggenvik

The great problem for Luther was the question of his personal relationship with God. Here, Dr. Huggenvik takes the reader along on Luther's search for "a God who likes me." The book is directed to the young people from confirmation age and up, but would also serve admirably as an introduction to Luther for adults, especially new church members. paper over board, $1.50

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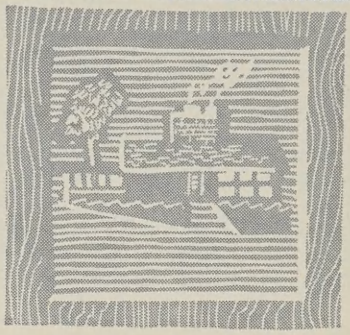

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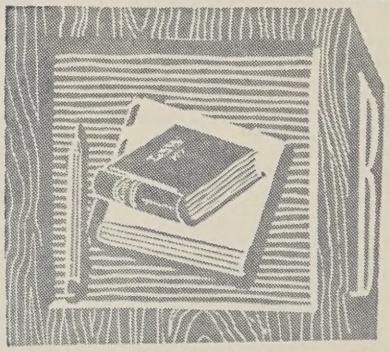

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